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Title of Invention: Dynamic Load Balancer
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Basic Concept: A method of accelerating the operation of a load balancer.
 - receive packets directed to the load balancer
 - compare the packets to a table of parameters (Source / Destination, etc.)
 - forward the packet to an appropriate server.

This process is often referred to as persistence, sticky sessions, or client-IP sticky. The parameters compared may include source or destination addresses/ports, SSL ID's, or cookies. This process is used when performing load balancing on a collection of servers or server farm.

Claims 1 and 37 attached for clarity.

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